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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: March 28, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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Reference is made to your inquiry on the attached routing slip:

"Just what are the facts re 'flying saucers'? A short memo as to whether it is true or just what Air Force etc. think of them."

S.W. Reynolds

In response to your inquiry, Special Agent [redacted] obtained the following information today (3/28/50) from Major [redacted] and Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of Air Force Intelligence. The Air Force discontinued their intelligence project to determine what flying saucers are the latter part of last year. They publicly announced to the press in December, 1949, that the project had been discontinued. They advised that the press release had been concurred in by the Army and Navy. The reason for the discontinuance, according to Major [redacted] and Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was that after two years of investigation over three-fourths of the incidents regarding flying saucers proved to be misidentifications of a wide variety of conventional items such as lighted weather balloons and other air-borne objects.

Colonel [redacted] pointed out that the Commanders of the various areas are charged with the security of those areas. Reports concerning flying saucers received at this time will be investigated by the Area Commander and his report submitted to the Air Force Intelligence Division as an intelligence item.

Major [redacted] and Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] made the observation that many of the reported sightings of flying saucers at this time appear to be an outgrowth of recent magazine articles. They reiterated that the Air Force is conducting no active investigation to determine whether flying saucers exist or what they might happen to be.

You will recall that the investigation of flying saucers was discontinued by the Bureau in October, 1947, in order that the Air Force could take over such investigations. [redacted]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 22, 1950

FROM : SAC HOTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

Flying Discs or Flying Saucers

The following information was furnished to SA [redacted] by [redacted]

An investigator for the Air Forces stated that three so-called flying saucers had been recovered in New Mexico. They were described as being circular in shape with raised centers, approximately 50 feet in diameter. Each one was occupied by three bodies of human shape but only 3 feet tall, dressed in metallic cloth of a very fine texture. Each body was bandaged in a manner similar to the blackout suits used by speed flyers and test pilots.

According to Mr. [redacted] informant, the saucers were found in New Mexico due to the fact that the Government has a very high-powered radar set-up in that area and it is believed the radar interferes with the controling mechanism of the saucers.

No further evaluation was attempted by SA [redacted] concerning the above.

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L'Fbi rivela un mistero del 1947

Gli extraterrestri erano tre scimmie

Ne furono trovati i resti carbonizzati - La presunta astronave era uno dei primi missili

ROMA — Non appartenevano a extraterrestri dalle lunghe braccia, ma a tre semplici e sfortunate scimmie i resti ritrovati nel '47 a bordo di un veicolo precipitato nei pressi di Roswell, nel New Mexico. Il mistero del «Roswell incident», per anni uno dei punti di forza dei sostenitori delle visite di alieni sulla terra, è stato definitivamente chiarito da documenti del Fbi resi noti recentemente.

Il «Roswell incident» si verificò il 2 luglio 1947. Verso le 22 i coniugi Wilmot videro passare sulle loro teste un presunto disco volante. Il 7 luglio il giornalista Jhon McBoyle ne trovò il relitto a pochi chilometri da una fattoria. McBoyle fu il primo a parlare di «piccoli uomini carbonizzati a bordo». Ma mentre stava per trasmettere la notizia, sulla sua stessa telescrivente ricevette da una fonte non identificata l'ordine di cessare la trasmissione. Era l'Fbi, i cui documenti ora rivelano che il caso «rientrava nell'interesse nazionale».

Per quasi 40 anni, gli ufologi di tutto il mondo avevano visto in questa interferenza una prova del fatto che il governo americano era al corrente di contatti tra alieni e la Terra, ma voleva mantenerli segreti. I dossier del Federal Bureau sulla vicenda, resi pubblici grazie al «freedom of information act» su richiesta di un gruppo di ufologi, spiegano invece che la presunta astronave era uno dei primi missili americani per l'invio di satelliti in orbita terrestre.

La cittadina di Roswell aveva allora la prima base di aerei da bombardamento atomico, distava 275 chilometri da Los Angeles dove lavorava la comunità per le ricerche atomiche e 175 da Alamogordo, dove il White Sands Missile Range e i Proving Group compivano ricerche segrete di carattere missilistico-spaziale.

I presunti alieni ovviamente erano scimmie. Dal '47 furono usati razzi V2 e Aerobee nella cui sezione anteriore era alloggiata una capsula con lettini dove venivano immobilizzate scimmie in tuta spaziale, anestetizzate con pentobarbital e morfina. La capsula veniva recuperata con un paracadute, che non sempre funzionò.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Albuquerque, New Mexico
May 8, 1964

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
SOCORRO, NEW MEXICO
APRIL 24, 1964

Special Agent [redacted], Federal Bureau of Investigation, stationed at Albuquerque, New Mexico, was at Socorro, New Mexico, and at the State Police Office there on business late afternoon of April 24, 1964.

At approximately 5:45 to 5:50 P. M., [redacted] radio operator in the Socorro County Sheriff's Office, located about thirty feet down the hall from the State Police Office, came into the State Police Office.

[redacted] advised [redacted] New Mexico State Police, that he had just received a radio call from officer [redacted] to come to an area about one mile southwest of Socorro. The call was in relation to some unknown object which "landed and has taken off." Agent [redacted] finished his work in the State Police Office at Socorro at approximately 6:00 P. M., April 24, 1964, and thereafter proceeded to the site where Officer [redacted] Socorro County Undersheriff [redacted] Sergeant [redacted] and Officer [redacted] New Mexico State Police, were assembled.

It may be noted that it has been the observation of Agent [redacted] that Officer [redacted] known intimately for approximately five years, is well regarded as a sober, industrious, and conscientious officer and not given to fantasy.

Officer [redacted] was noted to be perfectly sober and somewhat agitated over his experience.

Special Agent [redacted] noted four indentations in the rough ground at the "site" of the object described

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March 19, 1968

[redacted]

Waterloo, Illinois 62298

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of March 14th, with enclosure, has been received.

The investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects is not and never has been a matter that is within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. I can assure you the photograph you mentioned does not represent employees of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. The photograph in question has previously come to the Bureau's attention and is known to have appeared in a publication in Europe concerning an unidentified flying objects. A caption under the photograph alleges two FBI Agents are leading a person from outer space down the street.

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Dear Sir Flying Saucer

My name is [redacted] I work for the ~~United~~ Saucer Hunter Organization, I am writting this in regard to a report that the FB.I had captured a saucer occupant this was published in a flying saucer mag. along with a photo of two alleged FBI agents and a saucer occupant. is this true? does the FBI really have a saucer man?

Very truly U.S.A

/s/

[redacted]

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